Job Title: Preschool Teacher – The Learning Tree

Reports To: Director, The Learning Tree **Status:** Part-Time, Salaried (Non-Exempt)

Hours: Approximately 18 hours per week (MWF)

Compensation: \$13,000 annually



Overview

The Learning Tree is a ministry of St. Paul United Methodist Church in Muskogee, Oklahoma, providing a 15-hour weekly preschool program for children ages 2–4. The Learning Tree seeks to offer a high-quality, developmentally appropriate early childhood education experience, while also supporting the church's broader mission: "To Reach People for Christ and Develop Deeply Committed Christians." We are seeking a caring, reliable, and creative Preschool Teacher to join our team and help nurture the growth and development of our youngest learners.

Primary Responsibilities

- Serve as the lead teacher for a class of children
- Plan and implement engaging, developmentally appropriate lessons and activities
- Foster emotional, social, cognitive, and spiritual growth in the classroom
- Create a welcoming, safe, and structured learning environment
- Supervise and collaborate with a classroom aide to support student needs
- Communicate effectively and professionally with parents/guardians
- Maintain classroom setup and cleanup each day
- Support and implement the vision and policies set by the Director

Qualifications

- Experience working with young children in a classroom or childcare setting
- Knowledge of early childhood development and classroom management strategies
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Ability to work well with colleagues and follow guidance from the Director
- A heart for ministry and a willingness to support the mission of St. Paul United Methodist Church
- Background check and child safety training required before employment

Work Schedule

- Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 6 hours per day
 - 5 hours classroom instruction
 - o 1 hour prep/cleanup

Work Environment

This role functions within a church-based preschool ministry and values a team-oriented, faith-affirming environment. The Preschool Teacher will work under the supervision of the Director and be supported by a classroom aide. We are looking for someone who views early childhood education as a meaningful and rewarding vocation.